

These minutes were approved at the 10/18/10 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

October 4, 2010

1. Call to Order. Mayor Michael B. Kwasman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Alderman Pineda led all in the pledge of allegiance.

3. Invocation. The City Clerk gave the invocation.

4. Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum. Roll call found Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, H. Ronald Monroe, James Smith, Russell Radkiewicz, Ruben Pineda, Sandy Dimas, Alan Murphy, John C. Smith, Joey Gianforte, Nanette B. Connelly, Rebecca Stout, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, and Matt Fuesting present. Alderman James E. Beifuss, Jr. was absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith and City Treasurer Donald F. Earley were also present. .

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, Museum and Cultural Services Director LuAnn Bombard, Public Works Director Rob Flatter, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, and Deputy Chief of Police Lazzro Perez.

5. Public Participation.

A. Proclamation: Illinois Arts and Humanities Month. At the Mayor's request, the City Clerk read Proclamation Number 10-P-0008, in which the Mayor proclaimed October 2010 as West Chicago Arts & Humanities Month and called upon all citizens to celebrate and promote the arts and culture in West Chicago.

The following persons spoke during public participation:

1) Jonita Ellis, 2N451 Woodcrest Drive, West Chicago, Data Management Specialist at College of DuPage, spoke on behalf of the November 2, 2010, referendum for improvements and maintenance at the College of DuPage. Passage of the referendum would not result in a tax rate increase.

2) Steve Karfowicz, Local 150, 6200 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois, requested that a vote on contracting out services (with Municipal Management, LLC) scheduled to take place this evening be postponed until after a meeting between the union and City scheduled for tomorrow afternoon.

3) Don Earley, **4 the People**, thanked all the people who have donated to the food pantry. He thanked the Park District, the Library, the City, and Murphy Ace Hardware for providing spaces for the food collection boxes. Mr. Earley said he collects the food every week and there are usually in excess of two boxes full.

6. Correspondence and Announcements.

The City Clerk announced that she had tickets for the Municipal Clerks of Illinois drawing to raise funds for scholarships.

Alderman Dzierzanowski invited everyone to participate in **Walk to School Day** this Wednesday at 8:00 am at the Norton Creek School. There will be over 5,000 schools in all 50 states and 40 countries around the world participating in this event. The event will help create safer routes and increase children's activity levels. The Norton Creek mascot will make an appearance. Mayor Kwasman will be there as the City's mascot.

Upcoming Meetings. The Mayor announced the following meetings.

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| - October 5, 2010 | Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals |
| - October 7, 2010 | Infrastructure Committee |
| - October 11, 2010 | Development Committee |

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz, to approve the October 4, 2010, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 336,395.59. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, James Smith,

Radkiewicz, Dimas, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Aldermen Pineda and Murphy abstained. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.

- * **Development Committee:** No Report
- * **Infrastructure Committee:** No Report
- * **Public Affairs Committee:** Alderman Chassee read and explained the following item:

A. Resolution 10-R-0091 – A Resolution Amending the Policy for the Identification and Placement of City Informational Signs

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt the item on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

- * **Finance Committee:** No Report
- * **Items Not Sent to Committee:** The Mayor read and explained the following items:

B. Approve – City Council Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2010

C. Resolution 10-R-0090 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept an Easement for Drainage and Stormwater Detention – 225-235 Kress Road

D. Approve – Appointment of Chelsea D. McKone to the Cultural Arts Commission for Term Ending April 2012

Alderman Murphy made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gianforte, to adopt those items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. None

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor remarked on the food needed for the food pantries. The Mayor said he spent time at the food pantry last week doing some work with the mission. People are hungry in West Chicago, and it is going to get worse before it gets better, especially with winter coming and the food pantry with bare shelves. He said there were a lot of senior citizens at the food pantry. The Mayor asked West Chicago and the Aldermen to help fill the baskets to provide food for the hungry, to open their hearts and wallets and help those who cannot help themselves. It will be a great achievement.

13. Executive Session. At 7:18 pm, Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to recess into executive session to discuss land acquisition [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) (6)], litigation [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)], personnel matters [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)], and review of Official Record [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)].

Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried. Minutes for the executive session are filed separately.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:47pm. Roll call found Alderman Chassee, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting present. Aldermen Beifuss, Monroe and Dzierzanowski were absent.

14. Items to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session.

Resolution 10-R-0093 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Municipal Management LLC for Fleet Maintenance and Street Sweeping Operations.

Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman John Smith, to adopt Resolution 10-R-0093. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

15. Adjournment. At 7:49 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk